July, 1997 envisages neither conduct of degree level courses by outside institutions nor award of Visva-Bharati's degrees, the approval accorded to all the institutions by Visva-Bharati must be withdrawn and all further admissions to such institutions be stopped forthwith.

— With a view to safeguarding the interest of students already enroled at such institutions, the commitments already made by Visva-Bharati would be honoured.

However, subsequently the University conveyed its inability to withdraw the approvals accorded to all the institutions or even to stop fresh admissions. The Government has, therefore, invoked the powers of the Visitor in terms of Section 10(9) of the University Act.

Economic History Volumes by ICHR

4738. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Council for Historical Research is publishing Economic History Volumes, like Towards Freedom;

(b) if so, how many volumes have been published, till date;

(c) the amount spent on publishing of those volumes;

(d) the number of volumes which are still pending for publication; and

(e) the present position of the remaining volumes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) The Indian Council of Historical Research has informed that the Council is publishing volumes on Economic History Project, like Towards Freedom;

(b) Three volumes of Documents on Railway Construction in India covering the period 1832—1900 have already been published.

(c) Rs. 2,40,000/- was spent on the publication cost of these volumes.

(d) and (e) One volume of Documents on Irrigation in India 1858—1900 edited by Prof. D.P. Bhattacharya has been completed and received in April, 2002 and the same is being processed for publication. The editing work of another volume of Documents on Agriculture in India 1858—1900 is nearing completion.

Aanganwadis for Children below six years

4739. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Aanganwadi Centres working in the country to accommodate Children below six years of age, in Rural and Urban areas, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and other Southern States have requested the Union Government to sanction approximately 6,000 Aanganwadis to AP, Karnataka and other Southern States, for increased population of children, as per the 1991 census; and

(c) if so, the action taken by his Ministry with regard to the proposal of the said State Governments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) The information is given in the Statement enclosed. (*See* below)

(b) The Government of Karnataka has requested for sanction of additional Aanganwadi Centres.

(c) Due to constraint of resources, the Government is unable to sanction their proposal.